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CITY OF FRISCO - ENVIRONMENTAL NEWSLETTER

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Dear Green Team,

It seems like I have been sitting in this garage forever. My owners recycle regularly and I always have glass, plastic and aluminum cans ready to be collected. The trouble is, I don't make it to the alley very often. Once a month is all right but I would really like to go outside every week and I'm hoping that you can help me?

Signed,
Cooped Up and Longing for the Great Outdoors!



Dear Cooped Up and Longing for the Great Outdoors!

Your owners are not at fault. They think they are doing the right thing by holding you back until you are full. We would prefer they place you out for collection every week, just like the trash cart. This helps us advertise our program and increases the likelihood of others following in their footsteps. After all "Bins Count Put Them Out" is our motto and you are on our team. Here's wishing you many happy days in the great outdoors.

*Sincerely,
The Green Team*

"Can You Re-Use Me Now?" – Cell Phone Recycling

November 10 – 14th

Drop Off Sites: FISD Schools

Frisco City Hall
6891 Main Street
(972-335-5555)

Frisco Public Library
8750 McKinney Street
(972-335-5510)



Free T-shirt to FISD students collecting 10 or more cell phones. This event is sponsored by the City of Frisco, EcoPhones and FISD in celebration of Texas/America Recycles Day – November 15. Proceeds will benefit the Frisco Education Foundation and the City of Frisco.



Dear Green Team,
My insides are giving me a severe case of indigestion.
You see my owners just cleaned out their garage and my
contents now include paints, pesticides and other
household chemicals. I know these shouldn't be put in
the trash and the whole situation is making me a nervous
wreck. Can you please do something to help me?
Signed,
Looking for Relief

Dear Looking for Relief,

*Your concerns are valid. Besides being against the law you
have the added potential of producing some explosive results.
Your owners are welcome to use our Household Hazardous Waste
Center for their unwanted chemicals. Free drop off is available.
More details are listed below. So relax Your owners will realize
their mistake and your stomach cramps will soon disappear.*

*Sincerely,
The Green Team*

Chemical Peel

Free disposal of paints and pesticides as well as automotive, pool and common household products is available at the city's Household Hazardous Waste Center located at 6726 Walnut Street. Drop- off is limited to Frisco residents only. No commercial accounts. Hours of operation: Saturdays 8 a.m. – Noon, weekdays by appointment. ID is required: valid driver's license and copy of a Frisco water bill. If you live in an apartment, a copy of your tenant agreement will do.

For a list of acceptable or unacceptable products go to www.friscotexas.gov or give us a call at 972-335-5598.

Safety First

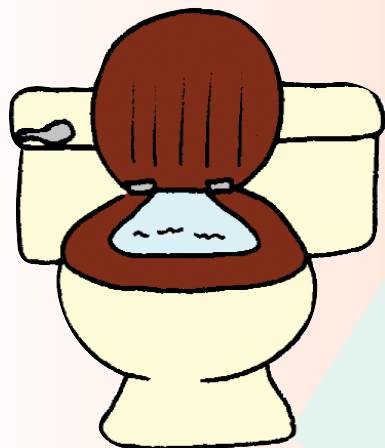
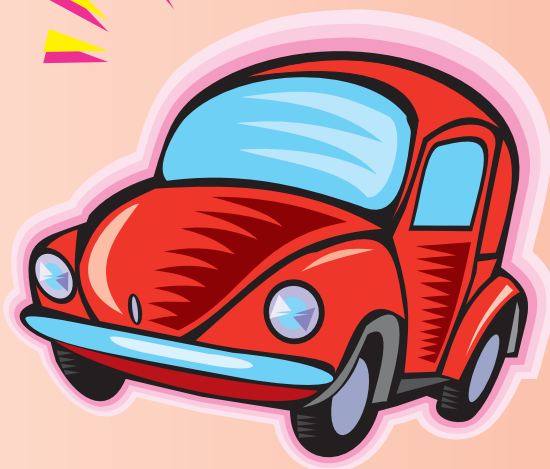
Safety tips on storing and transporting common household chemicals

- Do not store flammable products of any kind in the attic.
- Keep household chemical products out of the reach of children and pets.
- Keep chemicals away from heat sources, such as water heaters and furnaces.
- Never mix different chemicals. Toxic fumes or an explosion can result.



Safe Transportation

- Use a cardboard box or similar receptacle for containment.
- Place chemicals in the truck bed or trunk of your car, not the passenger seat.
- Keep products in original containers. Make sure caps and lids are securely closed.
- If original container is leaking or damaged, place in a bucket to prevent spillage.
- Keep away from children and pets.
- Do not smoke, eat or drink while handling hazardous wastes.
- Drive directly to the center.

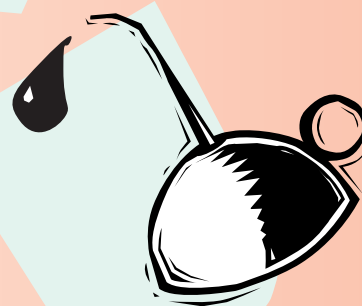


No Flushing Please

Prescription drugs should not be flushed down the toilet. The contents contained in the prescription material may have an adverse effect on the city's water treatment system. Residuals, which do not break down, may unknowingly be released into waterways and lakes. For safe disposal bring unwanted pills to our Household Hazardous Waste Center at 6726 Walnut Street.

Oil's Well That Ends Well

Help us protect our streams and lakes one drop at a time! The City of Frisco's Recycling Center located at 6726 Walnut Street provides free drop off for used motor oil. Year to date, we have collected and recycled 3,514 gallons of used motor oil.



Not Just A Walk In The Park

You will soon be able to add recycling to your recreational activities. Containers, similar to the ones in the photo, will be placed at Warren Sports Complex and Shawnee Trail Park. If successful, the city will expand the program to include other park facilities. Only plastic bottles and aluminum cans are acceptable. Empty the contents of cans and bottles before placing in the container. No pizza boxes, food products or trash.



Roadside Clean Up

"Don't throw your trash alongside the road, use these containers to lighten your load. Help us to keep our city clean, and our children's future bright and green".

Thanksgiving Holiday Collection Services

There will be no trash or recycling services on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 27. Residents with pick-up on or the day after the holiday will be collected one day later. Thursday's pick up moves to Friday, Friday moves to Saturday. No other routes are affected. Our Recycling and Household Hazardous Waste Center will be closed Thanksgiving Day.

Refresher Course: Acceptable Items for the Recycling Bin

Plastic bottles # 1 – 5 and 7; glass – colored and white; aluminum and steel cans. Place newspapers, phone books, magazines and junk mail in a brown grocery sack.



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